Export-oriented Textile Mills

7903. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) The names of the States where 100 per cent Export-Oriented Textile Mills have been set up; and

(b) The annual turnover and performance of those Export Oriented Mills during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKT SWAMY): (a) 100 per cent Export Oriented Units in the textile sector have been set up in the major textile producing States of the country including Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh; Kerala; Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, Rajasthan; Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

(b) According to the information reported by the 100 per cent Export Oriented Units (EOUs), exports of textile items under the 100 per cent EOU Scheme during the last three years have been as under:—

Year	Exports (In Rs. crores)
1991-92	132.84
1992-93	600.88
1993-94	652.92

Export of wooden handicrafts

7904. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the wooden handicrafts have great demand in foreign market;

(b) whether there is a vast scope for the export of the wooden handicrafts from the country;

(c) if so, the states where wooden handicrafts are adequately available; and

(d) the steps taken to promote the export of these handicrafts from those States?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKATSWAMY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. There is a vast scope for export of wooden handicrafts which is evident from the fact that the exports of wooden handicrafts has increased from Rs. 49.50 crores in 1993-94 to Rs. 136.90 crores during 1994-95.

(c) The States where wooden handicrafts are adequately available include: Uttar Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh Rajasthan, Jammu & Kashmir and Gujarat.

(d) The steps taken to promote the export of handicrafts including wooden handicrafts from the country include: organisation of buyer-seller meets, sponsoring of sales-cum-study teams abroad, participation in international fairs and exhibitions, overseas publicity and publication of catalogues, conducting of workshops and seminars and organisation of India Handicrafts and Gifts Fair annually.

In order to further boost the development and export of wooden handicrafts, the Government has recently formulated a project with UNDP assistance. Under the agreement, 4 wood seasoning plants will be installed at Trivandrum, Mysore, Hyderabad and Jodhpur. The three existing Common Facility Centres at Trivandrum, Mysore and Channapatna will be further strengthened and three new Common Facility Centres are to be set up at Cochin, Tirupati and Jodhpur.

Cooperative spinning Mills in Maharashtra

7905. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation from the